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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery, comprising the steps of:

    locating a first constricting member in the right brachiocephalic artery upstream of the right common carotid artery;

    locating a second constricting member in the aorta downstream of the left common carotid artery;

    expanding the first constricting member to at least partially obstruct the right brachiocephalic artery; and

    expanding the second constricting member to at least partially obstruct the aorta, wherein flow in the right common carotid artery is reversed to pass into the subclavian artery.

2. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein blood flow is augmented in the left common carotid artery and left subclavian artery, and is reversed in the right common carotid artery.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein blood flow is reversed in the right internal carotid artery.

4. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein blood flow is reversed in the right external carotid artery.

5. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein blood flow is reversed in the right vertebral artery.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of advancing an interventional catheter into a right cerebral artery and performing a procedure on a lesion in the right cerebral artery.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the right cerebral artery is selected from the group consisting of the right common carotid artery, right internal carotid artery, right external carotid artery, right vertebral artery, carotid siphon, MCA, and ACA.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the interventional catheter is an angioplasty catheter.

9. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 6, wherein the interventional catheter is an atherectomy catheter.

10. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 6, wherein the interventional catheter is a stent delivery catheter.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of  
deploying a filter in the right subclavian artery to capture embolic debris.

~~12.~~ (Withdrawn) A method for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery,  
comprising the steps of:

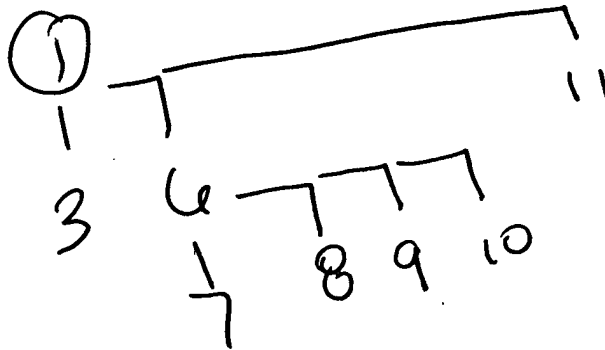
locating a first constricting member in the right subclavian artery upstream of the  
right vertebral artery;

locating a second constricting member in the aorta downstream of the left common  
carotid artery;

expanding the first constricting member to at least partially obstruct the right  
subclavian artery; and

expanding the second constricting member to at least partially obstruct the aorta.

13-25. (Canceled)



~~26.~~ (Withdrawn) A method for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery, comprising the steps of:

locating a first constricting member in the left common carotid artery;

locating a second constricting member in the aorta downstream of the left brachiocephalic artery;

expanding the first constricting member to at least partially obstruct the left common carotid artery; and

expanding the second constricting member to at least partially obstruct the aorta.

27-46. (Canceled)

~~47.~~ (Withdrawn) A medical device for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery, comprising:

a first elongate member having a proximal end and a distal end;

a first expandable constrictor on the distal end of the first elongate member;

a second elongate member having a proximal end and a distal end, the second elongate member adapted to extend through the first elongate member;

a second expandable constrictor on the distal end of the second elongate member; and

an interventional instrument that extends through the second constrictor to access a lesion in a cerebral artery.

48-52. (Canceled)

~~53.~~ (Withdrawn) A method for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery,  
comprising the steps of:

locating a first constricting member in the right common carotid artery;

locating a second constricting member in the aorta downstream of the left common  
carotid artery;

expanding the first constricting member to at least partially obstruct the right common  
carotid artery; and

expanding the second constricting member to at least partially obstruct the aorta.

54-56. (Canceled)

~~57.~~ (Withdrawn) A method for reversing blood flow in a cerebral artery,  
comprising the steps of:

locating a first constricting member in the left common carotid artery;

locating a second constricting member in the aorta downstream of the right  
brachiocephalic artery;

expanding the first constricting member to at least partially obstruct the left common  
carotid artery; and

expanding the second constricting member to at least partially obstruct the aorta.

58-60. (Canceled)